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December 18, 2002

## BY E-MAIL AND HAND

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary  
Department of Telecommunications and Energy  
One South Station  
Boston, MA 02110

Re: D.T.E. 02-78, Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company

Dear Secretary Cottrell:


On December 12, 2002, Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company ("FG&E") filed with Department of Telecommunications and Energy (the "Department") a request for an accounting order. The Department docketed the request as D.T.E. 02-83 and solicited written comments to be filed no later than the close of business on December 18, 2002.

Since that time, FG&E and the Attorney General have been engaged in discussions with respect to the request, which could affect the comments, if any, that the Attorney General would offer. In order to conclude those discussions, FG&E and the Attorney General hereby jointly request that the deadline for comments be extended by one day, until close of business on Thursday, December 19, 2002.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Scott J. Mueller

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